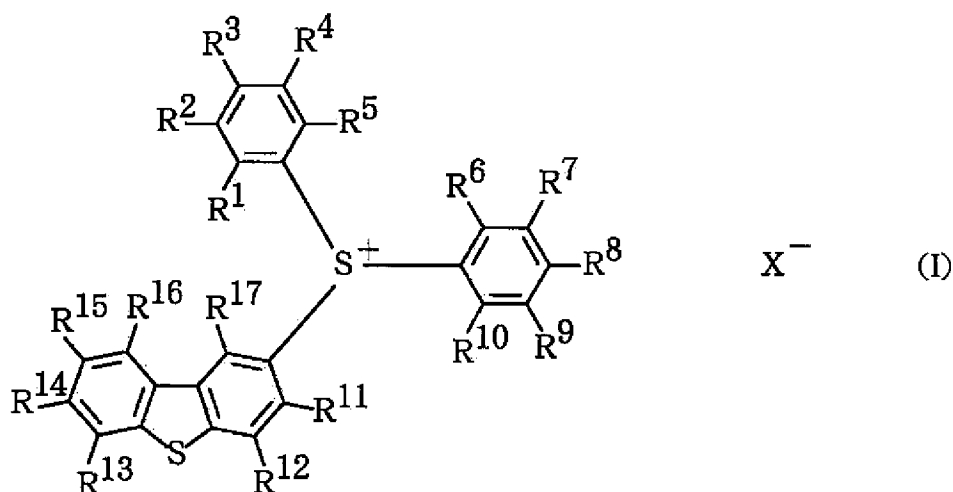


AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. - 17. (Cancelled)

18. (Previously Presented) An aromatic sulfonium salt compound expressed by a general formula (I),



wherein, R^1 to R^{17} are identical or different, respectively a group selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, halogen, nitro, hydroxyl, alkyl, alkoxy, acyl, phenoxy, ester, aryl, thioether, thiocarbonyl, sulfinyl, sulfonyl, amino, amide, imide, nitrile, phosphino, phospho, phosphoryl and fluoroalkyl groups of 1-8 carbon atoms, wherein the moieties other than the functional groups of these groups can be saturated aliphatic hydrocarbon, unsaturated aliphatic hydrocarbon, alicyclic hydrocarbon, carbocyclic aromatic hydrocarbon or heterocyclic aromatic hydrocarbon of 1-12 carbon atoms, and R^5 and R^6 can be condensed together with to form a covalent bond, provided that R^1 to R^5 are not all hydrogen at the same time, and that R^6 to R^{10} are not all hydrogen at the same time, X is the same described above.

19. (Currently Amended) The A photo-acid generator comprising an ~~of Claim 4,~~
~~wherein the aromatic sulfonium compound is the~~ aromatic sulfonium salt compound of Claim
18.

20. (Currently Amended) The A photo-polymerizable composition comprising (1)
cationically polymerizing organic substances and (2) of any of Claims 5 to 9, wherein the
photo-acid generator ~~is the photo-acid generator of Claim 19~~ as an energy beam sensitive
cationically polymerizing initiator, as essential components.

21. (Currently Amended) An ultraviolet curing ink composition which comprises
the photo-polymerizable composition of Claim ~~20~~ 18 .

22. (Currently Amended) An ultraviolet curing ink composition for wrapping material of
foods which comprises the photo-polymerizable composition of Claim ~~20~~ 18.

23. (Currently Amended) An wrapping material of foods printed by the ultraviolet curing
ink composition ~~of Claim 21~~ or the ultraviolet curing ink composition for wrapping material of
foods of Claim ~~22~~ 18 .

24. (New) The photo-polymerizable composition of claim 20, which additionally comprises
(3) radically polymerizing organic substance and (4) energy beam sensitive radical polymerizing
initiator, as essential components.

25. (New) The photo-polymerizable composition of claim 20, wherein at least one among
the (1) cationically polymerizing organic substance is an organic compound having one or more
epoxy group in a molecule.

26. (New) The photo-polymerizable composition of claim 20, which comprises a compound having a cyclohexenoxide structure in a molecule at the content of 30% by weight or more based on the(1) cationically polymerizing organic substance.

27. (New) The photo-polymerizable composition of claim 24, which comprises a compound having (meth)acrylic group in a molecule at the content of 50% by weight or more based on the(3) radically polymerizing organic substance.